

**Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District
Desert Advisory Council
Field Tour Itinerary
Friday, August 25, 2023 - Ridgecrest, CA**

LOGISTICS: Members of the public are welcome on field tours but must provide their own transportation, meals and water.

- **Personal vehicles will be used for transportation to and from all locations.**
- **Bring water and wear clothing/footwear suitable for expected weather and field tour.**
- **Due to a portion of the tour taking place on a military installation, RSVPs are mandatory, limited to US citizens and will be capped at 20.**
- **Individuals who plan to attend must RSVP no later than Monday, Aug. 14 to Michelle Van Der Linden at mvanderlinden@blm.gov.**

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- 8:30 a.m. DAC members and confirmed tour attendees meet at the Ridgecrest Field Office, located at 300 S. Richmond Road in Ridgecrest
- 9:15 a.m. Depart for Coso Geothermal Plant at Navy Air Weapons Station-China Lake
Attendees must be prepared to present a valid driver's license or government-issued ID to gain base access.
Attendees entering the base will be subject to search and any type of weapon is prohibited.
- 10:10 a.m. Arrive at Coso rest stop, 15 Gill Station Road, Coso Junction, CA
Restroom break
- 10:30 a.m. Enter Navy Air Weapons Station-China Lake
RSVP list and valid driver's licenses/government IDs will be verified by base personnel.
- 10:45 a.m. Arrive at Coso Geothermal Plant
BLM Petroleum Engineering Technician Matt Wokosin and Navy Geothermal Program Lead Kelly Blake will discuss plant history, capacity and importance
Photography allowed; no aerial drones permitted.
- 12:30 p.m. Depart for Olancho Fire Station, located at 2079 US-395, Olancho
- 1:00 p.m. Arrive at Olancho Fire Station
BLM Olancho Fire Chief Craig Owen will discuss various equipment and engine capabilities while participants enjoy lunch.
- 2:15 p.m. Depart for Fossil Falls Campground
- 2:45 p.m. Arrive at Fossil Falls Campground
BLM Recreation Planner Aly Heare and Assistant Field Manager Dana Stephenson will

discuss campground amenities and the upcoming powerline project visible from the site.

3:00 p.m. Depart for the Ridgecrest Field Office, located at 300 S. Richmond Road in Ridgecrest

4:00 p.m. Arrive Ridgecrest Field Office
Conclude field tour